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Applicant	Joseph H. Sklar						
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Examiner	Melba N. Bumgarner						

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## Response Transmittal and <u>Petition For Time Extension (37 CFR 1.136[A])</u>

#### Dear Sir:

- 1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of three (3) months to respond to the Office Letter mailed on June 2, 2004.
- 2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
- 3. Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17). \$980.00 Extension Fee is due with this request.

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4. Fee Payment. Attached is a check in the sum of \$1770.00, of which \$980 is intended to cover this Petition for Time Extension. This is also a petition and a request to charge to Account No. 19-4516 for any additional extension and/or fee as may be required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

November 12, 2004

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### Transmittal of Additional Drawings

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant submits herewith two (2) sheets of formal drawings with regard to the subject application.

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